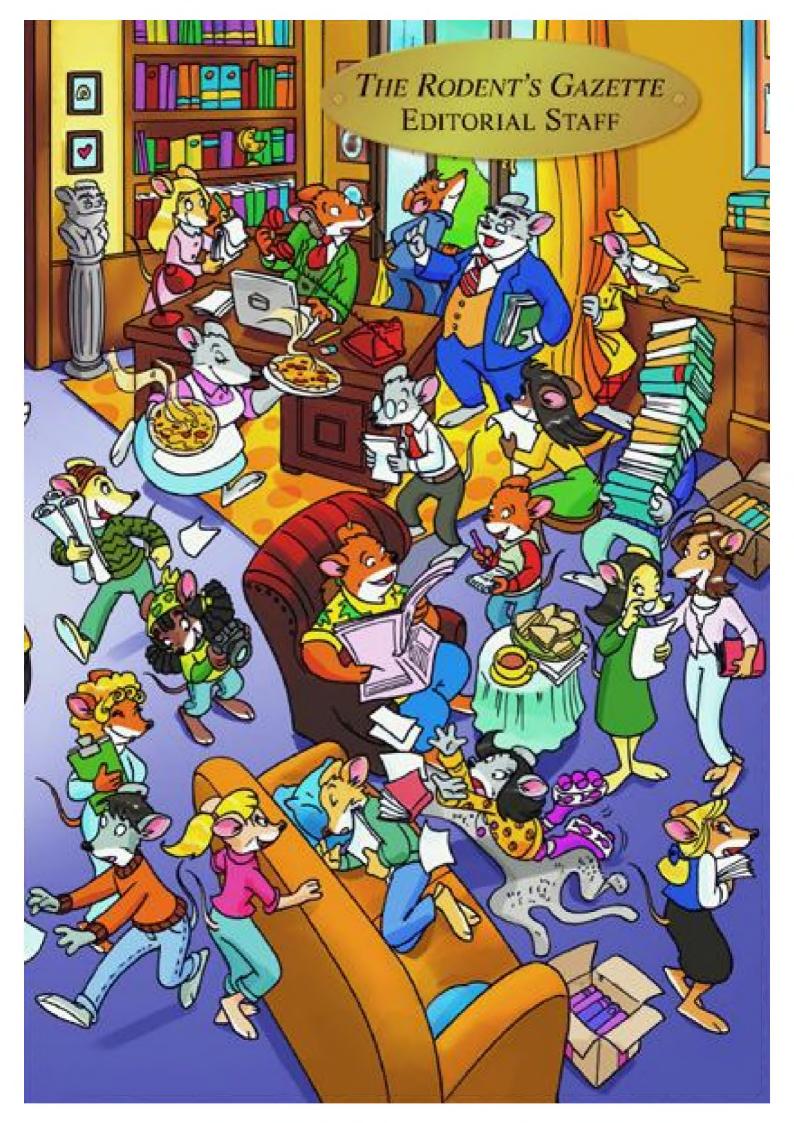




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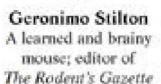


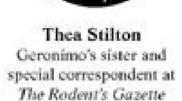
















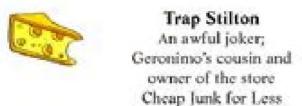














Trap Stilton

An awful joker;

Benjamin Stilton A sweet and loving nine-year-old mouse; Geronimo's favorite nephew















## Geronimo Stilton

## THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME



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# IT WAS A COLD OCTOBER AFTERNOON...

It was a cold October afternoon. Outside, the wind whipped the leaves around in swirls of red and gold. I was glad I wasn't a field mouse. I'd be **freezing** my tail off! Luckily, I was nice and warm, snuggled inside my comfy home doing one of my favorite things...reading.





( Parallel Principle)

I received a text message.

STILTON, I NEED YOUR HELP ON A MYSTERIOUS CASE! SIGNED PROFESSOR CYRIL T. SANDSNOUT

Do you know Professor Sandsnout? He is an expert on everything there is to know about Egypt. He is also the director of the Egyptian Mouseum in New Mouse City. And he is one of my dearest friends.

Oops! I think I forgot to introduce myself.
Silly me! My name is Stilton, Seconimo



I wondered why Professor Sandsnout needed my help. I decided to go visit him at the museum and find out. Of course, a trip to the museum is always a lot more fun with my favorite little nephew, Benjamin.

I quickly called my aunt Sweetfur's mouse hole. That's where Benjamin lives.

"Would you like to come with me to the Egyptian Mouseum?" I asked my nephew. "You can bring a friend if you'd like."

There was an excited squeak on the other end of the phone. I took off for Aunt Sweetfur's right away.

I knocked on the front door, then strolled inside. That's when I was hit with a big surprise. And I mean hit. With a whoosh, the kitchen door crashed open and slammed me right in the whiskers!

"AAAAH!" I screeched before I passed out.

As soon as I came to, I saw a little female mouse standing over me. She had black hair that she wore in lots of tiny braids.





A green CAMBANAM with little hearts on it covered the top of her head. And an expensive camera hung around her neck.

She grabbed my paw and squeezed it hard. Holey cheese! Who taught this mouse how to shake paws? Mad Mouse Max, the bone-crushing rodent wrestler? I wondered if I'd ever be able to write again.

"W-w-who are y-y-you?" I stammered, massaging my sore paw. The STRANGE little mouse broke into a wide grin. "I'm That's

"she shricked. My car started ringing. I wondered if I'd ever hear out of it again. First my paw, then my ear. Who was this mouselet, and what would she do MEXT? I was afraid to find out.

### BUGSY WUGSY

FIRST NAME: BUGSY

LAST NAME: WOGSY

NICKNAME: LITTLE TORNADO

WHO SHE IS: PETUNIA PRETTY PAWS'S NIECE

HER INTERESTS: LIKE HER AUNT PETUNIA.

SHE LOVES EVERYTHING ABOUT NATURE.

ANIMALS, AND PLANTS.

HER FAVORITE SPORT:

CLIMBING TREES

HER SECRET: SHE HAS

A CRUSH ON

BENJAMIN!



Pagal Andeld



# MAY I CALL YOU UNCLE G?

I stared at Bugsy. Now the little mouse was jumping around like Benjamin's robotic rat doll on super-high speed.

She began skipping around me faster and

faster. I was getting dizzy just looking at her. Then there was a sickening crunch.





### "YIKES! MY TRIL!" I

screamed at the top of my lungs.

Bugsy stopped

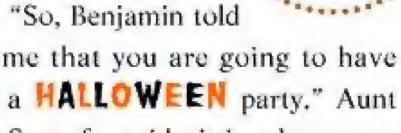
skipping. "She said." She grabbed a chair. "Here, why don't you sit down?" she suggested. But while she was helping me into the chair, she accidentally stomped on my paw. "YTKES! MY PAW!" I screamed again.

Bugsy shook her head. "Excuse me, Uncle G," she squeaked. "But you really should be a little more careful. At this rate,

you're going to end up in the emergency room. How do you even manage to get through the day?"

I was fuming. Who did this lille pipsqueak think she was?

Luckily, Aunt Sweetfur rushed over before I pulled out all of my fur. "Poor Geronimo," she gushed. In a flash, she bandaged my tail. Then she massaged my paw and made us each a cup of steaming



Sweetfur said, sitting down next

to me.

I nodded. I'm not really big on Halloween—it's such a SPOOKY holiday. But I love throwing



Just then, Bugsy screeched so loudly I felt like I'd been standing in the front row of a Fuzzy Fuzzborn concert for twelve hours.

"A p-a-r-t-y? Yeeeceah! I love parties!" she squeaked.

The little mouse flung her paws around me in a crushing hug.

"Can't breathe . . . can't breathe," I gasped.

"What's that, Uncle G?
Did you say you can't
wait?" she yelped. "Oh, I
can't wait for the party, either!"

I rolled my eyes. Well, Bugsy was right about one thing. I couldn't wait. That is, I couldn't wait to get away from Bugsy!



### AH, PETUNIA

Right at that moment, my cell phone rang.

"Hello. This is Stilton, "Jeremine"

Hillon," I said.

A sweet voice answered on the other end. "Hi, G!" it squeaked.

I immediately blushed. Thank goodness,

the caller couldn't see me! It
was my fascinating friend
Petunia Pretty Paws. She's
a TV reporter who has
dedicated her life to saving
animals and nature. I have
had a huge crush on her for
the longest time. But whenever













I'm around her I turn into a babbling, blundering fool!

"I just wanted to check on my [2/0] e niece," Petunia squeaked into the phone.

I didn't know what she was talking about. "Y-y-your niece?" I muttered, confused.

Just then, **Bussel** pulled at my jacket sleeve. "Is that Aunt Petunia?" she asked.

My head was **spining**. I couldn't believe it. How could such a **beautiful**, gentle, sweet mouse like Petunia have such a jumpy, loud, **annoying** niece like Bugsy?

"Yes, Bugsy is my niece,"
Petunia was saying into the phone. "And I need you to do me a favor and take good care of her for a week while I'm away. Thanks, G. Bye-bye!"



I hung up the phone in a daze. Responsible for Bugsy? I wasn't thrilled about that, but I'd do anything for Petunia.

"Hey, Uncle G, why are you smiling like that? Are you in love with my aunt? Will you marry her? Can I be your flower mouse? What kind of wedding cake are you going to have? Ooh, I have an idea! I'll call Aunt Petunia and tell her you're in love with let," Bugsy squeaked.

I jumped to my paws. "No! NO! Don't call Petunia!" I shouted.

Bugsy shook her head. "Face it, Uncle G, you're one lovesick mouse!" she insisted.

My head began to pound. I felt like I was going to explode. "I am not your uncle! I am not sick!" I yelled.

Just then, the phone rang. It was Petunia Pretty Paws again.

"G? I want to remind you to treat my niece well," she said. "She's such an angel." I shook my head as if in a trance. Then I hung up the phone with a deep sigh. What was it about Petunia that made me all weak in the paws?

I caught Bugsy watching me. She had a smirk on her snout as she turned to Benjamin. "Do you know that when your uncle talks with my aunt, he really looks very goofy," she told my nephew.

I pretended not to hear. What else could I do?





# D-D-DON'T BE AFRAID!

Waving good-bye to Aunt Sweetfur, Benjamin, Bugsy, and I headed out to the Egyptian Mouseum. When we got there, I looked around. How strange. Usually there is a LOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO line to get in to the museum. But today, there wasn't a rodent in sight.



#### THE GODDESS BASTET

With the body of a woman and the head of a cat, this ancient Egyptian goddess was the protector of fire, cats, pregnant women, and the home. To obtain her favors, the ancient Egyptians offered fresh fish to house cats, which were considered to be her earthly representatives. Her temple was located in the ancient city of Bubastis in northern Egypt.

I pulled open the heavy door. It let out a loud CROAK that made me jump. I don't know why, but something about the empty museum gave me the creeps. In the Great Hall, we were greeted by an enormous statue of Bastet, the Egyptian goddess with the head of a cat. Cheese miblets, that cat made me shiver! I grabbed Benjamin's and Bugsy's paws.

"D-d-don't worry, everything is OK. D-d-don't be afraid," I stammered.



Benjamin squeezed my paw. "I'm not afraid, Uncle Geronimo," he squeaked.

"Don't worry about us, Uncle G! We're not afraid of anything!" Bugsy yelled at the top of her lungs. Her voice ECHOED in the deserted museum.

Right then, Bugsy realized that she had forgotten her camera in the car.

"We'll be right back, Uncle G. You wait for us here," she hollered. She grabbed Benjamin's paw and sprinted back outside.

I stood alone in the cold, dusty lobby. "Action!" I sneezed. Did I mention I'm allergic to dust and mold and even rubber flip-flops? But that's another story.

Anyway, where was I? Oh yes, I was standing alone in the dark Great Hall of the museum when I heard a loud BANG.



I spun around. The velvet rope that surrounded an ancient stone coffin known as a sarcophagus had collapsed in a heap. How strange.

I went closer to read the plaque in front of the coffin: THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME.

I sniffed the air. What was that MSOUSTENING

MOSTY SMELL?

All of a sudden, a real ALLANDEN, covered in dust and wrapped in yellowed bandages, emerged from the sarcophagus. I froze. Rat-munching rattlesnakes!

"I AM THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME!"
the mummy roared. I was so scared I lost
my squeak.



The MUMMY WITH NO NAME shuffled closer. It almost touched my whiskers.

"Leave, before it is too late!" it hissed in my car. Then it stumbled down the dark corridor, leaving a trail of thousand-yearold dust behind it.

I couldn't move. I couldn't breathe.

I couldn't see. A sudden [1,235] of light blinded me. Then a voice shouted, "Hey, Uncle G! Hope you don't mind my taking your picture. You know, you really should trim your wiskers. They're a mess."

Bugsy and Benjamin were back. But had they seen the MIMMY?





I was a wreck. My paws were shaking. My whiskers were twitching. And my eyes felt like they were about to pop out of their sockets, roll back to my car, and drive away without me!

"I S-S-S-SAW A M-M-M-MUMMY! BUT D-D-DON'T BE A-F-F-FRAID!" I managed to stutter.

Benjamin looked surprised. "A mummy?" he murmured.

"Y-yes, a *real* mummy. And he told me to leave b-b-before it's too late," I added.

Benjamin looked around. "I don't see anyone. Are you sure you're feeling OK, Uncle Geronimo?" he squeaked. Bugsy looked at me. Then she began to whisper in Benjamin's ear.

I couldn't hear everything she said, but I did make out the words looney tunes.

nuts, and lost his cheddar.

I puffed up my fur. "I am not crazy! I did see a Manager !" I insisted.

Bugsy giggled. "Well, of course you saw a mummy, Uncle G," she said. "There are tons of mummies here. We're in the Egyptian Mouseum!"

I groaned. I was beginning to think I should head right on back to my cozy mouse hole when someone—or something—pinched my tail.

"RBNEID RRT HBIRS!" I shrieked. "THE MUMMY!"



When I came to, an intellectuallecting mouse with blondish fur and round eyeglasses was standing between Benjamin and Bugsy, leaning over me. "You're right, Geronimo. You did see a mummy. That's why I asked you to come to the museum. I need your help in solving the mystery," the rodent murmured.

I sat up immediately. I would recognize that mouse anywhere. It was my dear old friend, PROFESSOR CYRIL B. SANDSNOUT.

### PROFESSOR CYRIL B. SANDSNOUT

NAME: CYRIL

LAST NAME: SANDSHOUT

NICKNAME: DESERT RAT

WHO HE IS: DIRECTOR

MOUSEUM IN NEW

HIS WORK: TRAVELING

AROUND THE
WORLD IN SEARCH
OF MYSTERIOUS
PAPYRUSES

HIS HOBBY: READING JOKE BOOKS.

HE LOVES TO TELL JOKES TO HIS

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES.

HIS SECRET: HE ADORES PLAYING

PRANKS!





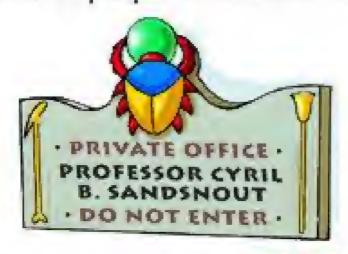
# TWO NEW ASSISTANTS FOR THE PROFESSOR

"Professor Sandsnout!" I squeaked.

The professor put one paw up in front of his snout. "Shihtidahht Someone guild be Ustenlay!" he whispered.

The professor turned right, then left, then right, then left, then down a long hallway to a ROUND room. He crossed the ROUND room, then a RECTANGULAR room, and then a square room. Benjamin, Bugsy, and I followed close behind him. Holey cheese! This place was worse than the corn maze at Rascal Ralph's Festival Fun Farm in Scamperville!

At last, the professor stopped in front of a tiny door. A plaque on the door read:



The professor pulled an **ENORMOUSE** key ring from his pocket. Then he selected a key and opened the door. We found ourselves in an office that was covered in dust. "Laborate Arthur!" I sneezed.

After about three hundred more sneezes, I looked around. The place was covered from floor to ceiling with books. Do you know what all of the books were about?

ANCIENT EGYPT, of course!







Egyptian civilization developed along the Nile River. During periodic flooding, the waters of this river left precious mud along its banks, containing lime, which made the land very fertile.





#### THE PYRAMIDS OF GIZA

The plains of Giza are dominated by three pyramids, which were built by the pharaohs Khufu, Khafre, and Menkaure about 4,500 years ago. The Great Pyramid, built by Khufu, is approximately 482 feet tall, and the base is immense—each side is 756 feet long. It took more than twenty years to construct.

#### THE SPHINX

The Sphinx is 240 feet long and 66 feet tall. It may be the largest statue ever carved from a single block of limestone. Pharaoh Khafre had it sculpted (around 2620 B.C.). Thutmoses IV, who ruled from 1412 to 1402 B.C., freed the Sphinx from the encroaching sand and gave it a face-lift. Legend blames Napoleon and his troops for shooting off the nose around 1798, but this story isn't true.

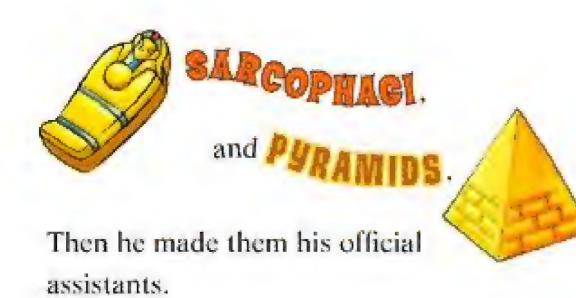
In Greek mythology, the Sphinx was a monster with the body of a lion and the head of a human. It lived near the city of Thebes. It would devour all those who, when passing through, did not know how to solve its extremely difficult riddles or enigmas.



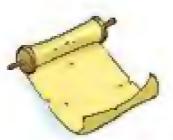
The professor gave a deep sigh and turned to me. "This room is soundproof from any eavesdroppers. Now we can talk without being heard, dear friend," he said, smiling.

I strilled back, but I must admit the whole soundproof room thing made me a little panicky. I mean, what if the door got stuck and we couldn't get out? No one would be able to hear our screams! We'd end up just like the mummies in this place—very OLD and very DEAD. Well, except for the one I saw walking around. I shivered. I introduced Professor Sandsnout to Benjamin and Bugsy to take my mind off of things.

The professor talked to the little mice about Mariana







# THE MYSTERY OF THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME



Once Benjamin and Bugsy had stopped with over their new positions, the professor turned serious.

"Now that you are here," he began. "I'm hoping you can help me solve a MYSTERY. As you can see, the EGYPTIAN MOUSEUM is deserted. That's because something is scaring the visitors away!"

I chewed my whiskers.

"THE M-M-M-MUMMY WITH NO
N-N-N-NAME?" I stammered.



PROFESSOR SANDSNOUT nodded. He explained how he had been doing some work down in the museum's basement the week before. Apparently, the area had been closed for many years. But the professor found a GOLDEN SARCOPHAGUS there. It contained a STRANGE mummy that the professor called THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME. He put the SARCOPHAGUS in the Great Hall, so all of the visitors could see it.

"That's right where I saw it," I murmured.

The professor nodded, and explained how the mysterious mummy had been **terrorizing** visitors ever since. "It warns everyone to stay away. Then it disappears in a cloud of dust," he said.

My fur stood on end. I had seen THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME!

# I AM THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME!





A mysterious mummy . . .

... who howls threats ...

... and disappears in a cloud of dust!



## I AM THE PHARAOH...

Professor Sandsnout continued, "On the inside of the golden sarcophagus, there was also an ancient manuscript written on PAPYRUS. I'll show it to you now. Unfortunately, the ending is missing."

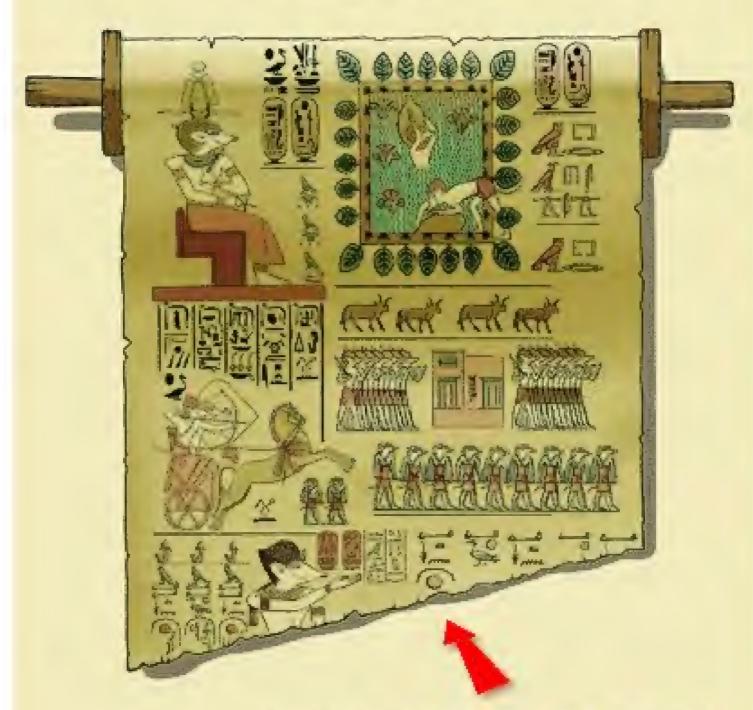
#### HIEROGLYPHICS

The word hieroglyphics means "sacred incision." It comes from the Greek words hieros (sacred) and glyphein (incision). There are two types of hieroglyphics: ideograms, or drawings that represent concepts (for example, the sun was shown as a disk), and phonograms, or drawings that represent sounds.

In ancient Egypt, only scribes

knew how to write in hieroglyphics, That is why scribes were held in high esteem.

## THE PAPYRUS FOUND BY PROFESSOR SANDSNOUT IN THE GOLDEN SARCOPHAGUS OF THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME.



UNFORTUNATELY, THE PAPYRUS
IS MISSING THE END PIECE.

Professor Sandsnout took out his wallet and pulled a piece of yellowed paper from it. Then he read these words out loud.

Lower Egypt. I am now resting in a priceless golden sarcophagus. I ruled over the fertile lands near the River Nile and all of the rodents who lived there. I lived in a large palace with many servants. I commanded a powerful army. I knew many riches in my life. But my most precious treasure was . . .

Here the professor stopped and sighed.

"As you can see...the papyrus is torn," he said, holding up the paper. "Now we can only guess what the Precious treasure might be or where it is. Oh, if only we could find that missing piece of papyrus."





## Who Turned Off the Lights?

Before anyone could respond, we heard a sound—CREAK! I nearly jumped right out of my fur.

"W-w-what was that?" I gasped.

My heart was beating so hard I felt like I had just finished the New Mouse City Marathon. Of course, the closest I'd ever gotten to the marathon was the time I watched it on TV while eating a giant double-decker

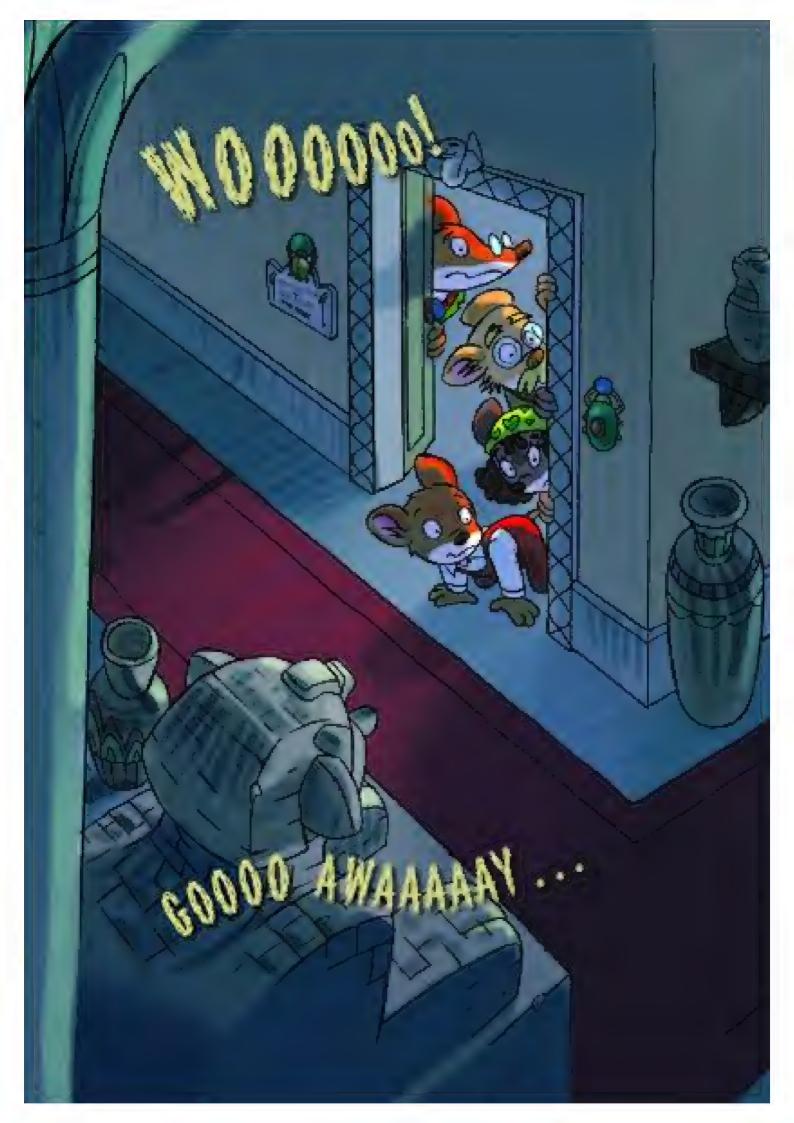
cheddar saadwich, Yum!

For a minute, I almost forgot about the mummy. But then, we heard another creak. And then another, and another. Suddenly, all the lights went out.

"Stop! Who's there? Who turned off the lights?" Professor Sandsnout yelled.

The same DISCOSTING AUSTY ODOR I had smelled earlier filled the air. Then we heard someone—or something—moaning.







A swishing sound followed. It sounded as if someone with bandaged feet was coming toward us. They shuffled closer and closer. Was it the \*\*Market\*\*? Or some other \*CREEPY\*\* Egyptian monster? Rat-munching rattlesnakes! How much more could one mouse take?

Just when I was certain I would die of fright, we heard a muffled little laugh.

it cackled. The laugh grew weaker and weaker and weaker until it was gone.

Who was laughing at us?

Professor Sandsnout scrambled around in the dark and came back with a FUSILUTE. The beam of light threw EERIE SHADOWS around the room. Then he headed toward the circuit breaker and turned on the lights. I looked around. Everything looked the same as before. Except for one thing —

The papyrus was gone!

The professor's fur turned as white as a slice of mozzarella.

He searched the floor, his desk, the inside of his garbage pail. But the papyrus was nowhere to be found. Someone had stolen it.





#### A Mysterious Shadow

The professor looked [1] . "Oh, why did I let that papyrus out of my paws? Now we've got to find both parts," he groaned.

We started down the long, long hallway. I lagged behind. All of the dust was turning me into a sneezing machine. "Achoo!" I squeaked again and again. Finally, I stopped. And that's when I saw it. A MYSTERIOUS SHADOW was growing on the wall.

It grew bigger. And bigger. Who was following me?

The shadow stretched toward me like a claw! I tried to SCFCam, but no sound came out. Instead, I heard another sound. The sound of someone singing in an OLD. RASPY VOICE.



Mummies creeping Lere And There.

Mummies, mummies everywhere!

They stink of mold and rotten things.

The shadow was creeping closer and closer. "Please, don't hurt me! I come in peace!" I yelped. I held my breath as I turned the corner.

But there was no mummy there at all. The shadow belonged to an old lady mouse with thick glasses. She was washing the museum floor with a bucket of soapy water and a mop. When she smiled, I could see she

was wearing dentures.

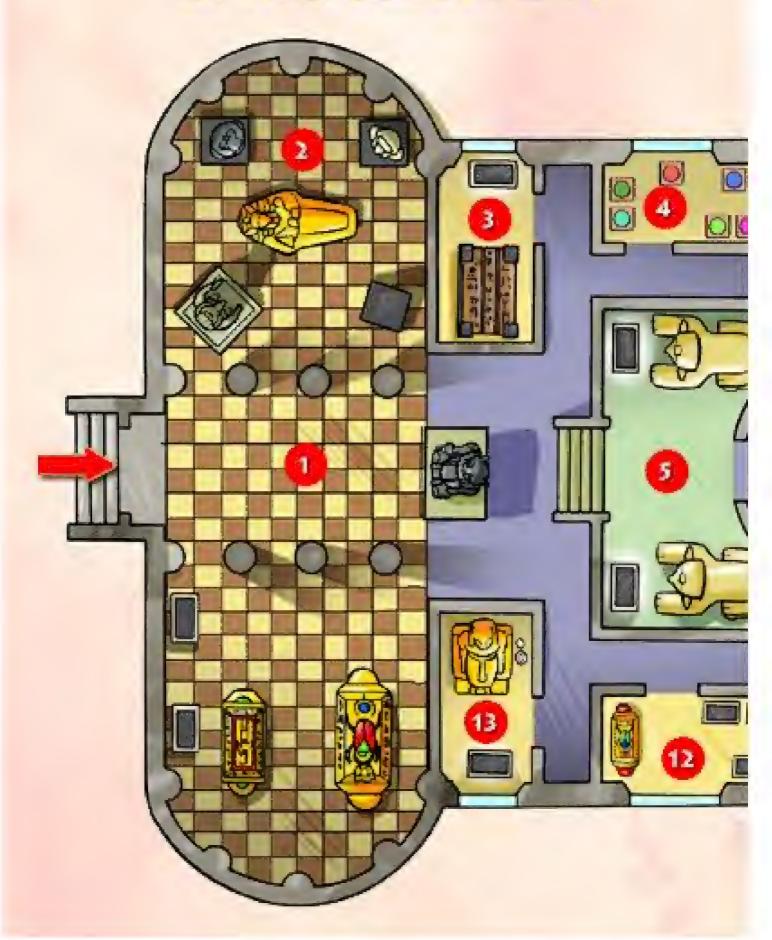
I turned purple with embarrassment.

So this was who had scared me out of my wits? This frail

little old lady mouse who looked like she wouldn't swat a fly? I gave her a sheepish smile.
Then I 32377 off.

Soon I caught up with Benjamin, Bugsy, and the professor. Professor Sandsnout gave me a sheet of paper. "This is the floor plan of the museum, Geronimo," he explained. "You will need it to help me search for the missing papyrus."

### THE EGYPTIAN MOUSEUM OF NEW MOUSE CITY



- I. Great Hall
- 2. Mummy with No Name
- 3. Hall of Papyruses
- 4. Hall of Vases and Urns
- 5. Hall of the Great Sphinx
- 6. Stairs
- 7. Hall of Scarabs

- 8. Hall of Sarcophagi
- 9. jewelry
- Stairs leading to the Underground Chambers
- II. Professor Sandsnout's Office
- 12. Hall of Amulets
- 13. Hall of Ramses the Great





After a little while, we reached what was known as the Hall of Scarabs. We tried to go inside, but the door was locked. Professor Sandsnout turned back to get the keys from his office.

Benjamin and Bugsy played word games while they waited. I would have joined in, but I was too busy sneezing. "Achoo! Achoo!"

"600 BLCSS Y00!" a little voice called out. It seemed to be coming from a dark corner at the end of the hall.

A minute later, the same voice began to moan, "WOOO! GO AWAAAAY! OR YOU'LL BE SORRRRRRY!"

I was about to run away with my tail between my legs. But Bugsy and Benjamin were running toward the dark corner! How DARING. A SHAT OF THEM !"

HOW BRAVE. HOW MUTS.

PICTORE OF THE T Bugsy waved her camera in the air. "Hey. Mummy, do you like having your PICTURE taken?" she yelled. Just then, the mummy raised a billowing cloud of DUST.

Now everybody was sneezing!

"Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, AchsorAchbo Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achos, Achoo, Tchoo, Achon, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo, Achoo!"



The mummy took advantage of our sneezing fits and ran off down the hall. At that moment, Professor Sandsnout came back with the keys. We quickly told him what had happened.

"The MIMA appeared again? Incredible..." he squeaked, unlocking the door.

We entered the Hall of Scarabs.

A beautiful collection of **gold**, **show**, **copper**, **bde**, **show**, **ruby**, **cmerald**, and **soper** Egyptian beetles was on exhibit. The professor explained that the scarab was a sacred symbol to the ancient Egyptians. It was the symbol of immortality.

A shiver ran up my spine. BUSS make my fur crawl.

"D-d-don't be afraid," I told Benjamin and Bugsy, ♠♠♠₿₺♥♠ their paws.

"I'm not afraid!" Benjamin replied.

"Don't you just love \USS, Uncle G?"
Bugsy said, grinning.









## THE HALL OF SARCOPHAGI

While the others were admiring the beetles, I stepped into the next room to get as far away from the bugs as I could. The room was called the Hall of Sarcophagi. In it, a long row of sarcophagi leaned against one wall. The coffins were made of Mapple, GRANITE, and PAINTED WOOD. There were even some made of GOLD!

Many of the sarcophagi had faces painted on them. I guessed that these were the faces of the dead mice inside. CHEESE MIBLETS! Being around all of those dead mice was beginning to make me feel quesy. Then I spotted one sarcophagus that was empty.

















I bent down to read its plaque, when... someone behind me pushed me inside! The lid closed on top of me with a sickening thud. I was trapped!

"Help!!!!" I screamed at the top of my lungs. Moldy mozzarella! I was terrified beyond belief.

Oh, how did I get myself into this mess? Tears rolled down my fur.

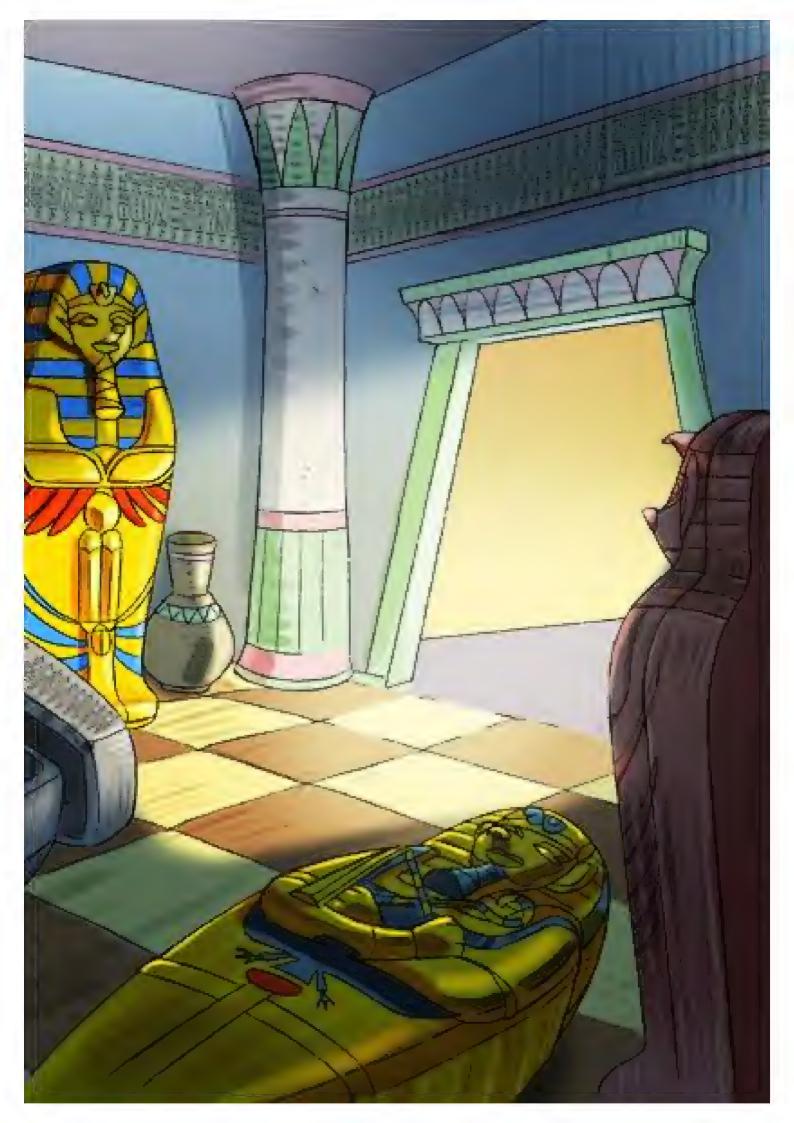
Luckily, my friends had heard my \$100 s. The lid opened and they quickly pulled me out of the coffin.

"Were you crging, Uncle G?" Bugsy asked.

"Um, er, no. I just got some dust in my eye," I lied. After all, I didn't want everyone thinking I was a 'fraidy mouse.









## THE HIDDEN TRAPDOOR

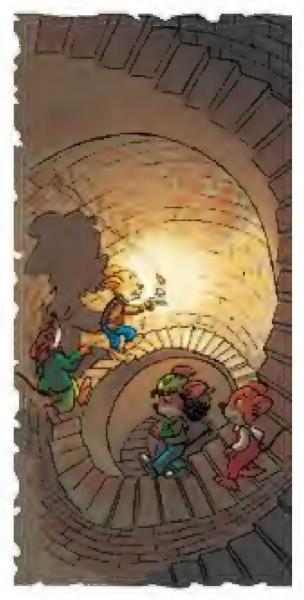
After a lot of work, we finished searching the whole Egyptian Mouseum. But we didn't find the missing papyrus or the treasure. Luckily, Professor Sandsnout had a plan.

"Let's go back to the underground chamber where I found THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME. Maybe we'll find something there," he suggested.

Oh no. I thought. Not the basement. I hate basements. They're so DARK and And some are crawling with bugs. Did I tell you I hate bugs?

I bit my lip and followed the others with shaky paws. The professor led the way down the old spiral staircase. The flickering candle he held in his paw made **SPOOKY SHADOWS** on the walls.

we went until we reached the underground chamber. I looked around. The place was PACKED with stuff, just like the professor had said—urns, chests, bowls, statues. And everything was covered in dust. What a PLOSTY!

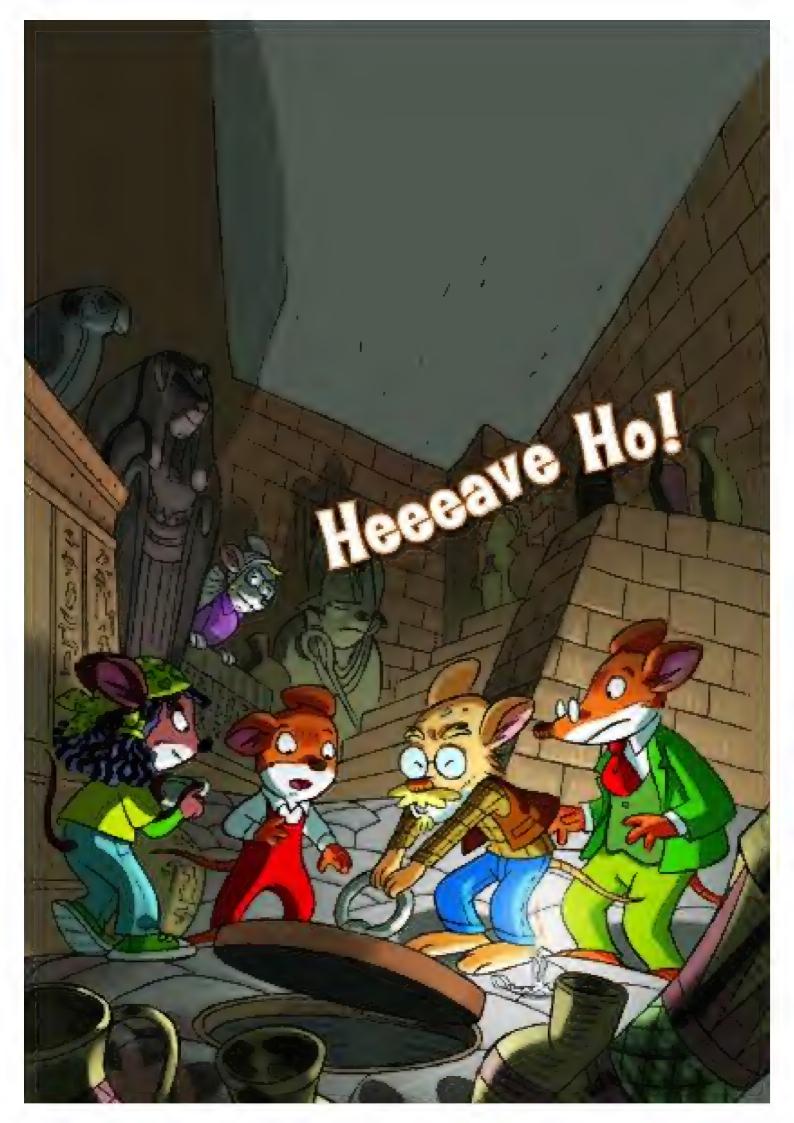


up around here? This place was almost as bad as Packrat Pete's living room. That rodent never threw anything away. Professor Sandsnout put the candle on the floor. "This is where I found the GOLDEN SARCOPHAGUS

that held THE MUMMY WITH NO NAME," he explained.

There was so much DUST I could hardly breathe. I began to PANIC. What if I was having a life-threatening asthma attack? Then I remembered I don't have asthma. What a relief! I relaxed. I stared at the dusty floor. That's when I noticed some STANIC. The professor, and we decided to follow them. The footprints led to a trapdoor on the floor.

The professor grabbed the heavy metal ring on the door and pulled with all of his might. "Heeeave-Ho!" he squeaked. The door popped open. I was impressed. Who knew Professor Sandsnout had such STRONG MUSCLES?





#### A VERY DARK Mousetrap

We all peered down into the House. "It's a secret chamber!" the professor exclaimed. "Let's go down and check it out."

I began twisting my tail up in Knots.

Oh, how did I get myself into these scary

FUR-RAISING situations?

One by one, we clambered down into the chamber. It was as dark as my mouse hole at midnight. Just then, a gust of wind blew out our candle and a loud THUMP echoed all around us. Everyone gasped.

That THUMP could only mean one thing.

Someone—or something—had just shut the trapdoor on us.



At that moment, we heard the mummy's raspy voice moaning. "YOUUU WIIIILLLL NEVVVVER GET 000000UUUUT!" it cried.

My tummy [1] flopped. "Professor, please tell me there's another exit," I pleaded.

In the dark, Professor Sandsnout sighed. "No, there isn't. We have about an hour of air. Let's try hard to slowly and not to move around. That way, we can conserve the oxygen," he suggested.

I went into full PAMEC mode. My fur began to drip with sweat. My PAWS \$HOOK. My Whiskers Wilched uncontrollably. "Waaaa!!!" I shricked like a newborn mouselet.

"Geronimo, don't get **EXCITED**. You're using up the **OXYGEN!**" the professor scolded.

"Yeah, Uncle G, keep your fur on!" Bugsy added.

I clamped a paw over my mouth. We were trapped in a giant TOMB! I tried to remember one of the relaxing exercises I had learned from my yoga teacher, Penny Pretzel Paws.

Before I could figure it out, an idea popped into my head. I told the professor to get on my shoulders. Then I told Benjamin to climb on top of the professor's shoulders. Finally, I told Bugsy to get on Benjamin's shoulders. Cheesecake! My idea worked! We had formed our very own rodent ladder.

Once Bugsy was at the top, she was able to **push** the trapdoor open.

Cheese niblets! My friends weighed a lot! Bugsy scampered out. Then she came back with a rope. One by one, she helped to pull us out of the dark underground chamber. I was so glad to be free that I started bawling again. Everyone stared at me. I turned bright red.

Luckily, a strange swishing sound took the attention off of me. Someone was hiding in the darkness. I turned around just in time to spot her. It was the little old cleaning lady! She had the



strangest look on her snout. "Nice weather we're having," she said. That's when I noticed something sticking out of her purse.

It was the rolled papurus! My eyes nearly

"Madam, give us back the papyrus!" I squeaked.

"PAPYRUS? What PAPYRUS?" the old lady mumbled.

Then she took off like a shot. I was amazed. She was kicking up her paws like an Olympic track rat! She raced toward the stairs, snickering, and leaving only a CLOUD of DUST behind her





## I Know Who You Are!

Bugsy and Benjamin SPRANG into action. First, Bugsy grabbed the papurus with one paw. Then she reached for the old lady's hair. The little old lady was wearing a wig! Her real hair was loss and blond. Then Benjamin reached for her dress. Under it, the mouse wore a SLINKY BLACK JUMPSUIT. With a snort, she whipped off false teeth and a

"You're the SUADOW!" Everyone in New Mouse City had heard of the SUADOW.



She was a notorious thief who was known for her clever disguises.

"That's right, moasey. I am the **SHADOW**," she boasted.

- S AS IN I'LL STEAL THE CHEESE RIGHT FROM YOUR PAWS!
- AS IN HAND IT OVER!
- AS IN I'LL ALWAYS BE AROUND!
- MAS IN THE DARKNESS THAT SURROUNDS ME!
- AS IN OH HOW I LOVE TO STEAL YOUR STUFF!
- M AS IN WATCH YOUR STEP. I'M WAITING FOR YOU!

## THE SHADOW



The Shadow is Sally Ratmousen's mysterious cousin. (Sally is the owner of The Daily Rat and is Geronimo's number-one rival.)
The Shadow is a fascinating rodent who is willing to do anything to get rich. A master of disguises, she knows all the tricks so she can go about without being recognized.

"So you were the cleaning lady and the MIMM!" I exclaimed. "You wanted to scare everyone away from the museum so you could find the MIMM!'s treasure."



The stands smiled. She really was a gargeous mouse. Too bad she was into stealing.

But before I could say anything else, the SHADOW began spraying something into the air. Putrid theese puffs! She was spraying us with a CLOUD of DUST so thick that even my supersonic cheese slicer wouldn't be able to cut through it! We all began sneezing uncontrollably.



As soon as the DUST settled, I looked around. The SHADOW had disappeared.

"She got away again," I said, sighing, feeling down in the dumps. We had been searching so hard for the Mark's treasure. But we still came up emply pawed.

Just then, Benjamin began tugging on my sleeve. I looked down and saw that he was holding a yellow sheet of paper. "What's this, Uncle Geronimo? Bugsy and I found it under a ME WILLIAM when we were trapped underground," he squeaked.

I looked at the paper. I cleaned my glasses. I looked at the paper again. It couldn't be!

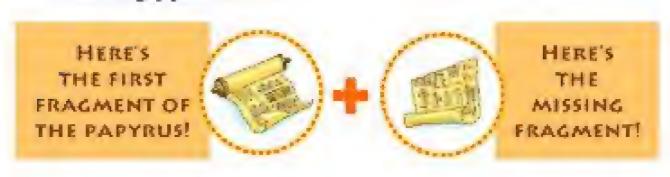
But it was! Benjamin and Bugsy had found the missing piece of the papyrus!

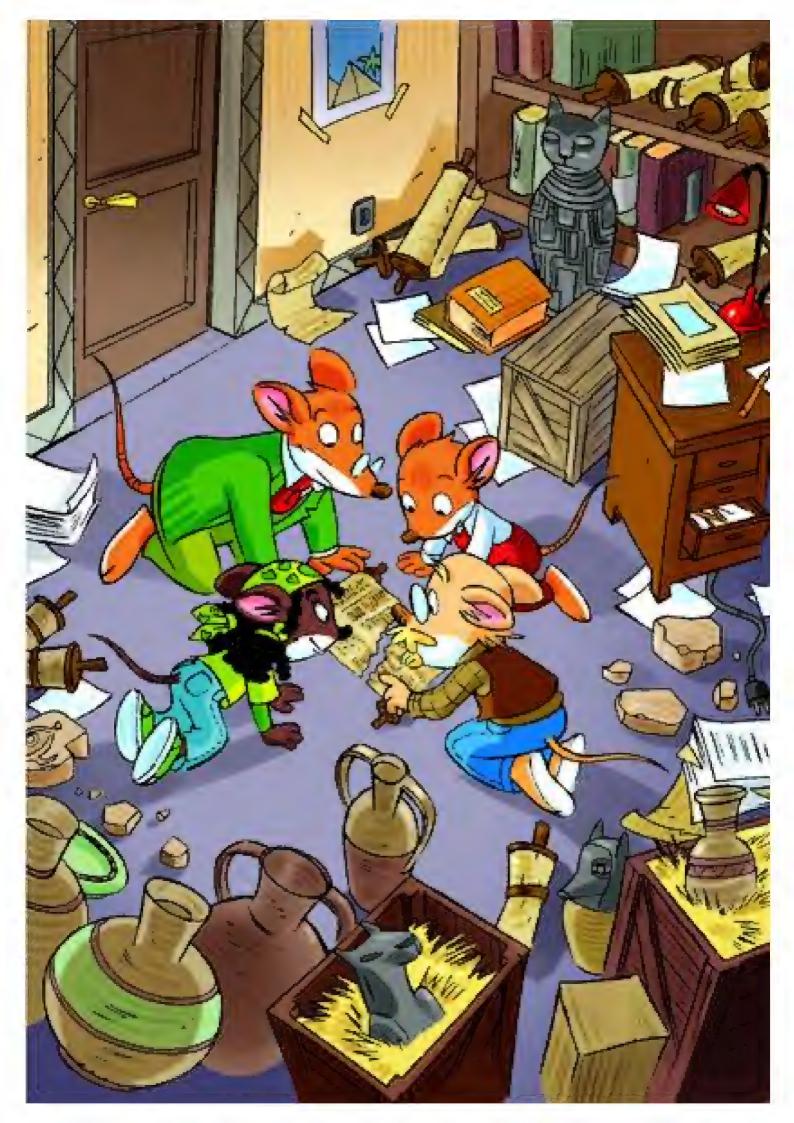


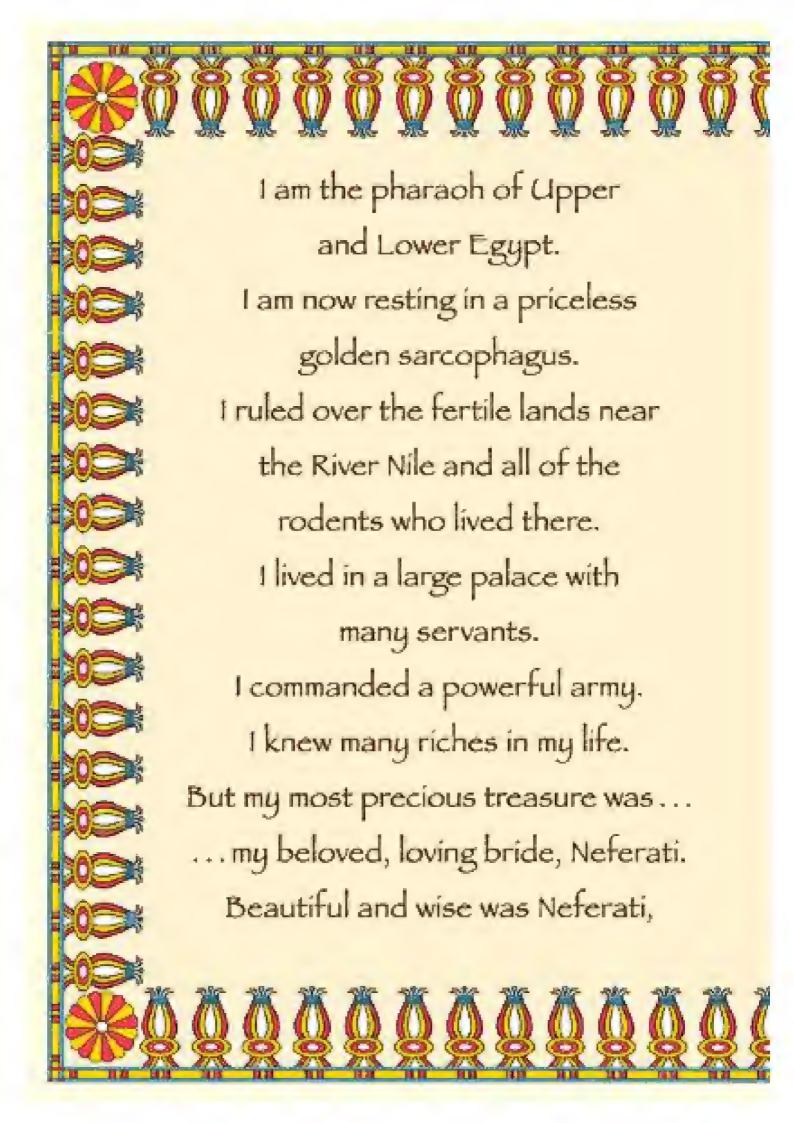
# THE PHARAOH'S TREASURE

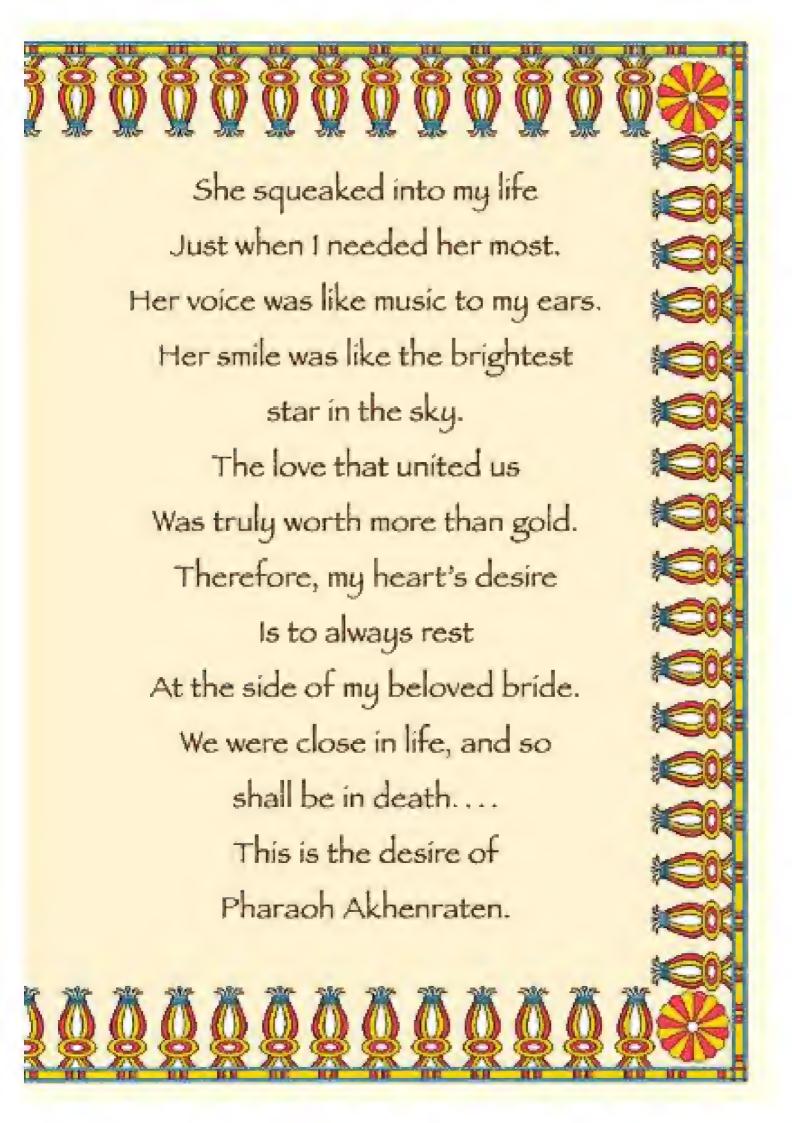
Professor Sandsnout was **CCStatic**. He hugged Benjamin and Bugsy. "Great work, you two! Now we can finally figure out what the pharaoh's **precious treasure** is!" he cried excitedly.

We were all curious to find out what the treasure would be. Would it be gold? Would it be jewels? Carefully, the professor fit the two pieces of papyrus together. Then he began to translate the mysterious Egyptian hieroglyphics....



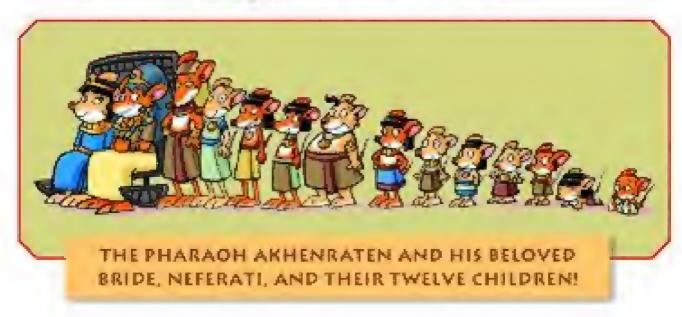






When Professor Sandsnout finished translating, no one squeaked a word. What a wonderful tope story, Maybe someday I would be head-over-paws in love, just like the pharaoh.

The professor turned on the computer. "Let's see what we can find out about Pharaoh Akhenraten," he said. He typed in the name. "ILERE it is!" he exclaimed. He began to read out loud. "Pharaoh Akhenraten was married to the beautiful, wise, and extremely valkative Neferati. It is said their



love was stronger than the sharpest cheddar. They had twelve children. Their rule was happy and long. The pharaoh was against BATTLES and WAR. He strove to bring peace, love, and happiness to all of his people."

Benjamin grabbed my paw. "If the pharaoh wished so much to be buried next to Neferati, then can we find a way to reunite them, Uncle?" he asked.

We can do it!

Professor Sandsnout stared at the computer, deep in thought. He tugged on his beard, gnawed his paw nails, then twisted his tail up in a knot. Finally, he jumped out of his seat and pumped one paw in the air.

"Yes, we can do it!" he squeaked.



## A LOVE THAT WILL LAST FOREVER

The professor contacted the MINISTER OF CULTURE OF NEW MOOSE CITY. He got permission to take the MANISTER OF Akhenraten back to Cairo, the capital of Egypt.



Since we helped find the missing papyrus, Professor Sandsnout asked all of us to join him. Even my friend Petunia Pretty Paus was allowed to come along. It was a long trip, but at last we arrived at the CAIRO MOUSEUM.

Akhenraten's sarcophagus was taken to the HALL OF MUMMIES. It was placed next to Oueen Neferati.



As the mummies were brought together, Professor Sandsnout spoke in a **SOLEMN** voice.

"We have returned you to Egypt, the land where you were born, and placed you beside your beloved bride. May the two of you sleep peacefully for all eternity."

I smiled. It was a great feeling to know that we had made the pharaoh's last wish come true. Beside me, Petunia Pretty Paws sighed. "How remarkie." She beamed, grabbing my paw.

"Um, er, yes," I agreed. I turned BEET-RED.

Oh, why was I such a bumbling mess around Petunia? Was it because she was so sweet? Was it because she was so cute?

Was it because she didn't seem to notice

she was so sweet and cute and that I was a على المالات المالا

I was still trying to figure it out as we boarded the plane for home. Petunia sat next to me. I checked my seat belt ten times, then read the air safety manual from front to back. Did I mention I ##TE flying? Luckily, Petunia didn't seem to notice. Ah,





## Who Would Bring a Skateboard to Egypt?

At long last, we arrived in New Mouse City. I waited for the airplane door to open. Then I began climbing down the stairs. But, I tripped on something! It was pink. It was flat. It had wheels. Cheese niblets! Who would bring a SKATEBOARD to Egypt?





"Hey, watch out for my skateboard, Uncle G!" I heard Bugsy yell. Too late.

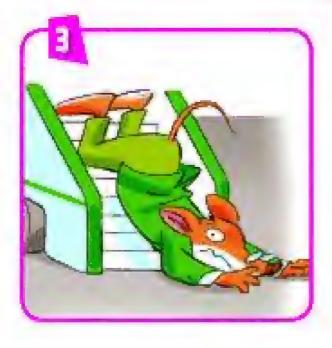
I fell **POWN**, **POWN** the steep steps. I went into a **SPIN**. I somersaulted through the air. I landed **FLAT** on my belly with my snout in the pavement.

Then I wiggled my paws. I could hardly believe it. I was alive!

TWO SECONDS Later.

BUGSY'S SKATEBOARD LANDED ON MY HEAD.

I WAS OUT LIKE A LIGHT.







# Is Your Brain Still Working?

When I came to, I was in the New Mouse City Hospital. I was wrapped in

Egyptian mummy.

My head was **POUNDING**. I remembered the awful **NIGHTMARE** that had woken me. I dreamed that I was trapped in the Egyptian Mouseum and I was being chased by a **TERRIFYING MUMMY**. And there was a pesky little girl who had a **PINK SKALEBOAPD**. And I tripped on the **SKALEBOAPD** and fell down some stairs. And the **SKALEBOAPD** are in a high, squeaky voice... "Uncle, G! Uncle G!" a high-pitched



voice broke into my thoughts. Startled, I saw a face peering down at me. It was a little female mouse with black braids.

My eyes popped open wide. "B-b-bugsy?"

I stammered.

"Uncle G! You're alive!" she squeaked. Then she waved her paws in front of my face. "Okay, Uncle G, let's see if your brain is still working. How many paws do you see? Huh? How many? How many?" she shrieked. Then she rapped on my bandaged head. "Hello. IN THERE! CAN YOU HEAR ME?" she yelled.



Now my head was **REALLY POUNDING**. "Two! Two! I see two paws!" I shouted.

"Don't talk, Uncle G. Don't even squeak! You need to rest! To relax! To eat! To sleep! And you're in luck. I'm here to take care of you!" she announced.

Fortunately, my nephew Benjamin arrived before I had a heart attack. "How are you feeling, Uncle?" he asked, patting my paw softly.

"I'm feeling fine, Benjamin," I said. What could I say? Your little friend Bugsy is a total PAIN IN MY FUR? "I'm just sorry that I can't organize the HALLOWEEN party I promised you," I groaned.

Right then, Bugsy jumped to her paws. "SUROPROISÉ!" she cried in an earpiercing squeak. "Not to worry. Uncle G.

Benjamin nodded. "It's going to be fabamouse, Uncle!" he squeaked.

Hmm. A mummy party? To tell you the truth, I was still a little afraid of mummies. I mean, even though we discovered the **MUMMY WITH NO NAME** wasn't alive, the whole idea still made my fur stand on end.

Bugsy was going on and on about her party plans. It seemed she had baked cookies

shaped like mummies, made up a creepy thuththy dance, and sent the guests invitations in the shape of a sarcophagus.

"And you won't believe how many rodents are coming. Uncle G." Bugsy continued. "I invited all your friends, all your neighbors, everyone at *The Rodent's Gazette* and at the Egyptian Mouseum, the mailmouse, the garbage mouse, the sewer rat, and tons of other perfect strangers I met on the street. Your house is going to be packed!"

Can you guess what happened next? Yes. I FAINTED. Fortunately, I was already lying in bed.



was released from the hospital on the day of the party. When I arrived home, I saw that there were

room and everyone was dressed in ancient Egyptian costumes. Bugsy introduced me to her baby brother Trouble—the name says it all. Her cousin Zak, on the other paw, was very funny. He hit it off with my young assistant, Pinky Pick. Before long, the two

were laughing and telling silly mummy jokes....

# Zak and Pinky's WEINING Jokes

What did the baby mummy say when he got lost at the supermarket?

I want mg mummy!





What did the mummy say when he landed on the moon? One small step for mummy, one giant leap for mummykind!

Why did the mummy go to the hospital? He had a mummyache.





What do you call a mummy who plays a guitar? A strummy mummy!





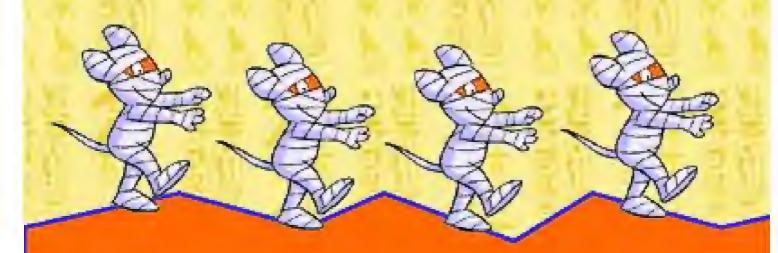
I have to admit, the party was truly Fabunguse. Bugsy taught all of the guests a game she called the Egyptian Continuon. And everyone munched on mummy cookies and bobbed for apples floating in a plastic sarcophagus.

The guests had a super time. And I have to say, I was feeling a little less Creeped Out by the whole mummy thing. After all, it's not every day that you get to meet a MUMMY WITH NO NAME....



#### HOW TO ORGANIZE A







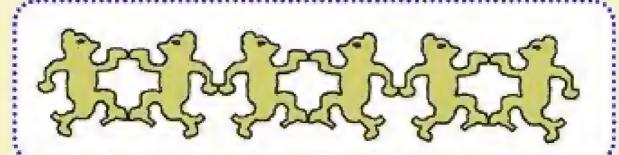
#### MUMMY CHAIN

#### What you need:

- · Brown paper
- Pencil
- · Round-tipped scissors
- Sticky tape
- Take a long strip of brown paper and fold it into a fan, as shown.
- Draw the form of a mummy on the top sheet and cut around the figure with the round-tipped scissors.
- Open the mummy chain and hang it on the walls of the party room with sticky tape.









#### MUMMIFIED TABLE

#### What you need:

- · Tollet paper
- · White tissue paper
- Brown construction paper
- · Round-tipped scissors
- Glue
- Wrap the table's and chairs' legs with toilet paper in such a way that they appear mummified.
- Cover the entire table with white tissue paper.
- On brown construction paper, draw lots of scarabs and then cut them out with the roundtipped scissors. You may draw or trace the scarabs from the drawing on this page.
- Glue the scarabs around the border of the entire tissue-paper tablecloth as shown.









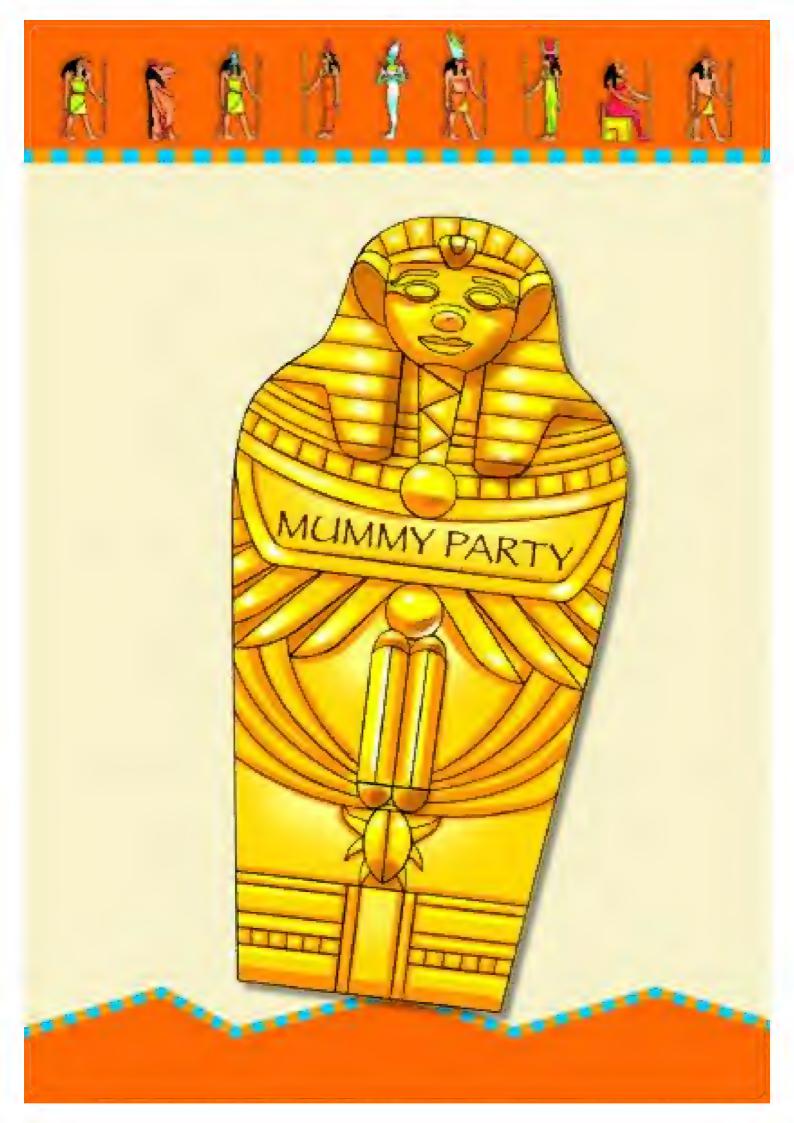
### THE SARCOPHAGUS INVITATION

How can you invite your friends to a Mummy Party? With an invitation in the shape of an Egyptian sarcophagus, of course! This is how to make the invitation.

#### What you need:

- · Drawing paper
- · Pencil
- Round-tipped scissors
- Markers
- I. On a piece of drawing paper, draw or trace the sarcophagus seen on the next page.
- With the round-tipped scissors, cut it out and color it as you wish.
- Make as many sarcophagi as there are friends you plan to invite, and give one to each person.







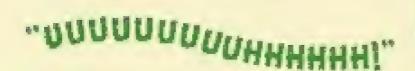
# 驗與鍵盤 COSTUME

#### What you need:

- Dark eyeliner (or black eyebrow pencil)
- · White socks
- · White gloves
- White sweater
- · White pants
- · White toilet paper
- · Sticky tape



- Ask your mom or other adult to lend you her dark eyeliner. Apply it around your eyes so that it looks like you have the dark-circled eyes of a mummy.
- Put on the sweater, pants, socks, and gloves. Wrap the toilet paper around your entire body. Try to put it on carefully, avoiding your eyes and nose!
- Tape the "bandages" with sticky tape. Now the only thing that's left for you to do is to go around... moaning!







### ANCIENT EGYPTIAN COSTUME

#### What you need:

- · Dark eyeliner (or black eyebrow pencil)
- · Black construction paper
- Round-tipped scissors
- Black yarn
- Sticky tape
- · White tunic or large white T-shirt
- Colored scarf



- Using the round-tipped scissors, make a wig by cutting out a strip of black construction paper as large as the circumference of your head. It should be about two inches wide.
- On the inside of the paper, attach the strings of black yarn with the sticky tape.
   The pieces of yarn should be all the same length so you can form a nice, neat head of hair.
- Put on a white tunic or a large white T-shirt. Tie a colored scarf around your waist.
- Apply a little eyeliner around your eyes, and look at yourself in the mirror. You'll look like a real ancient Egyptian!

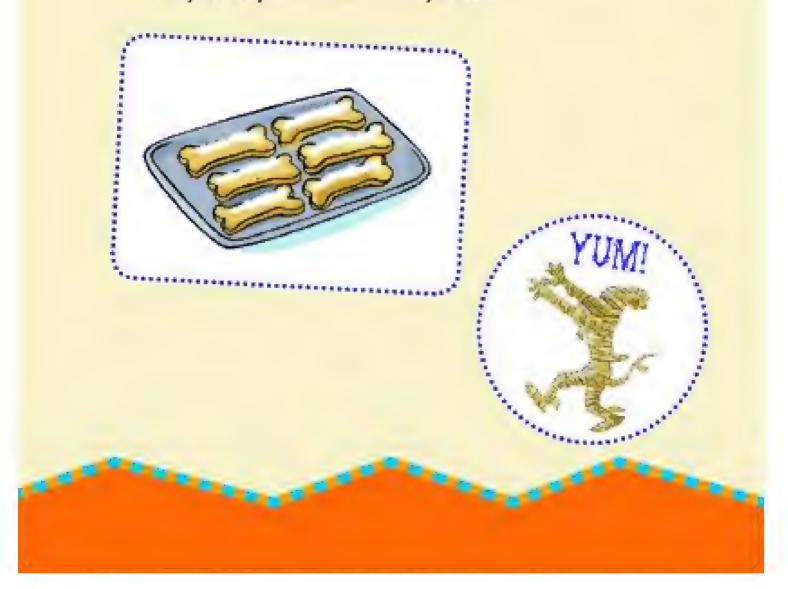




# MUMMY BONES

#### Ingredients:

- · White sheet cake
- · Whipped cream (or frosting)
- Ask an adult to cut lots of pieces from the cake in the shape of bones.
- Place the bones in a serving dish and cover them with a layer of whipped cream (or frosting). They'll really seem like mummy bones!





### EGYPTIAN SPIDERS

#### Ingredients

- Dinner rolls
- Ham.
- Stuffed olives
- Toothpicks
- Ask an adult to cut the rolls in half and fill each roll with ham.
- Poke a toothpick into each olive, being careful not to push it all the way through.
- Poke the two toothpicks with the two stuffed olives into the top of each roll; they will be the "eyes."
- 4. Add the "legs" by inserting four toothpicks on each side of the roll. Enjoy!

Creepy and delicious!

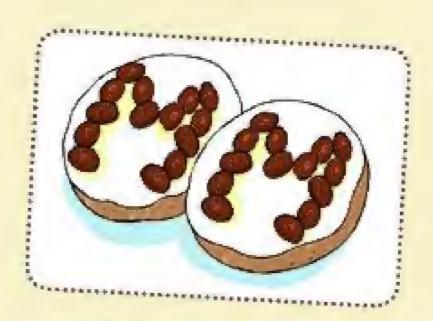




### MUMMY DUST COOKIES

#### Ingredients:

- · Round lemon or vanilla cookies
- \* I Tosp. lemon juice
- \* 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
- Chocolate candies
- Prepare the glaze by mixing the confectioners' sugar and lemon juice in a bowl.
- 2. Spread the glaze on the cookies.
- Using the chocolate candies, spell out an M for Mummy on top of each cookie.



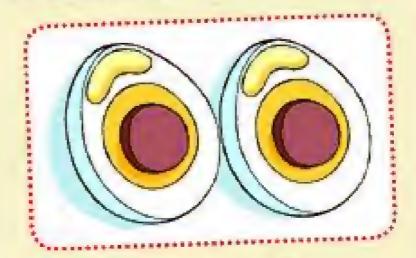
ANWAA WAWWA!



### MUMMY eyes

#### Ingredients:

- Hard-boiled eggs
- Hot dog
- · Mustard in a squirt bottle
- Ask an adult to hard-boil the eggs. Shell them and cut them in half length-wise (as shown).
- Put the halved eggs in a serving dish so that the cut side is facing you.
- Ask an adult to slice the hot dog, and put a slice of hot dog in the center of each yolk.
- 4. Squirt some mustard above the yolk and hot dog slice to form an eyebrow. Do you have the feeling you're being watched?



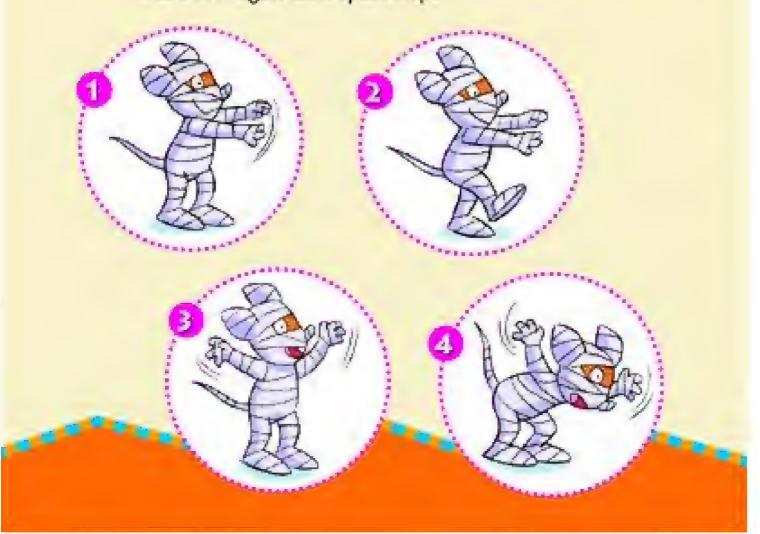
ALL EYES ARE ON YOU!



### THE MUMMY DANCE

Choose some music and go all out with your friends in a chilling dance!

- Raise your right arm in front of you. Lift the left arm and keep both raised.
- Take a step forward with your right leg and then take a step forward with your left leg.
- Now stop. Raise your arms above your head and shake them while moaning as if you're a mummy.
- Still shaking your arms, bend down as far as you can.
   Start over again and repeat steps 1-4.

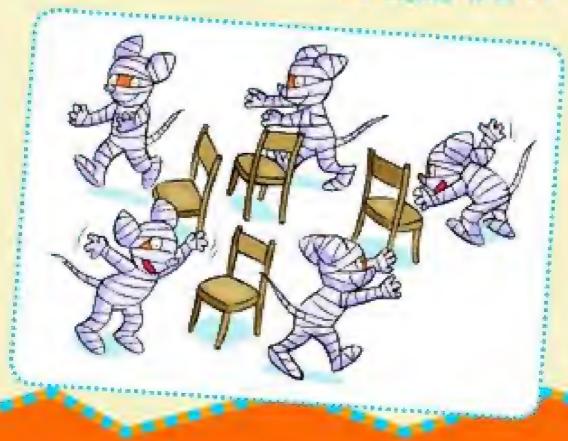




# Egyptian Conniption

- Take as many chairs as there are players less one and put them in a circle. These will represent the sarcophagus.
- Start dancing around the room. When the music stops, every mummy player needs to sit in a sarcophagus chair.
- Whoever is left without a chair will be eliminated from the game. Continue the game by taking one chair away at a time.

The last person with a chair wins!



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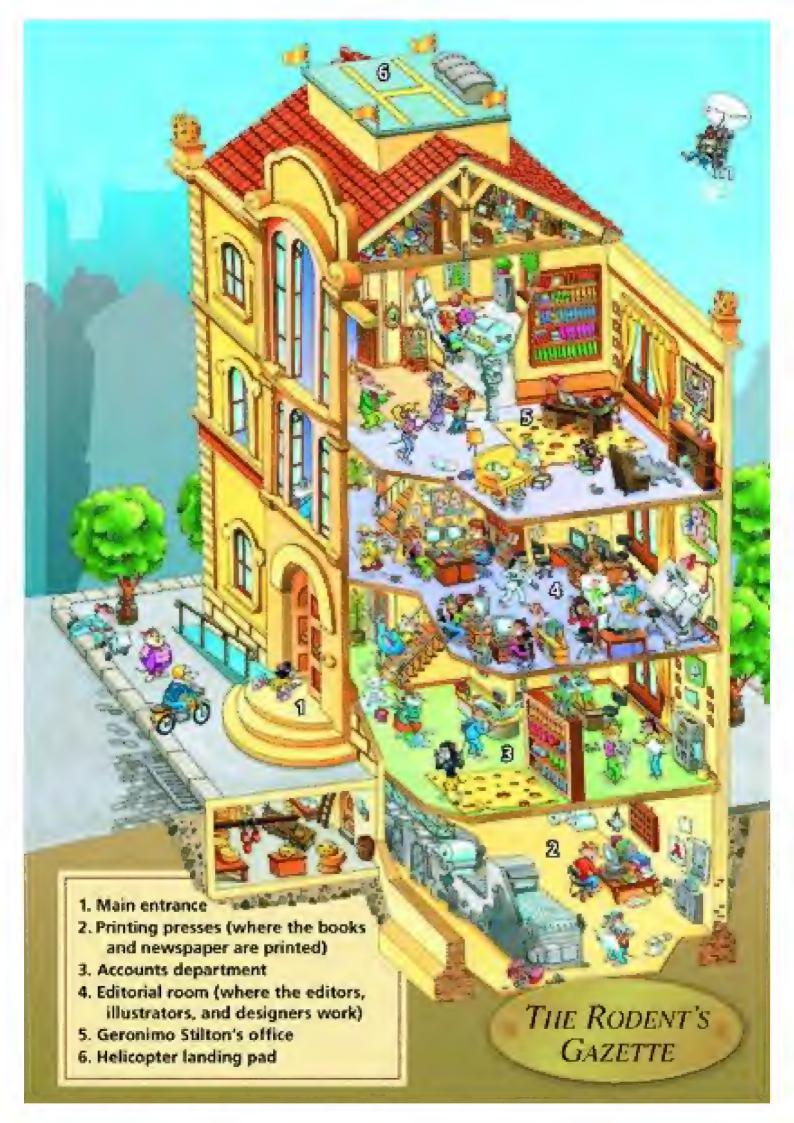


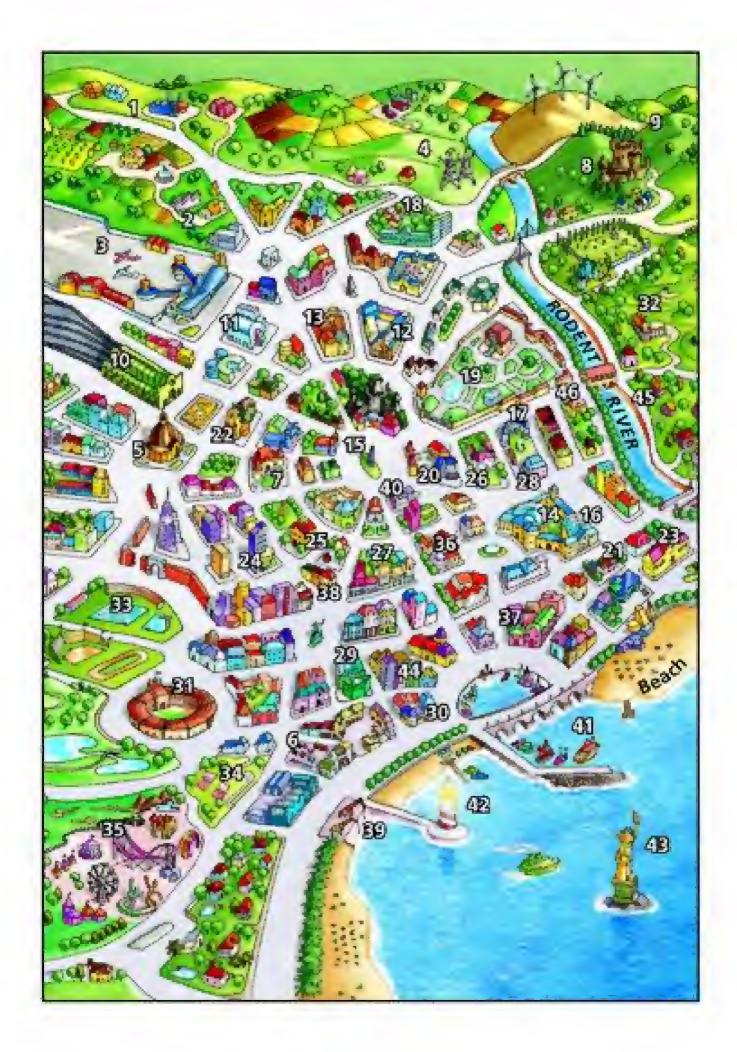
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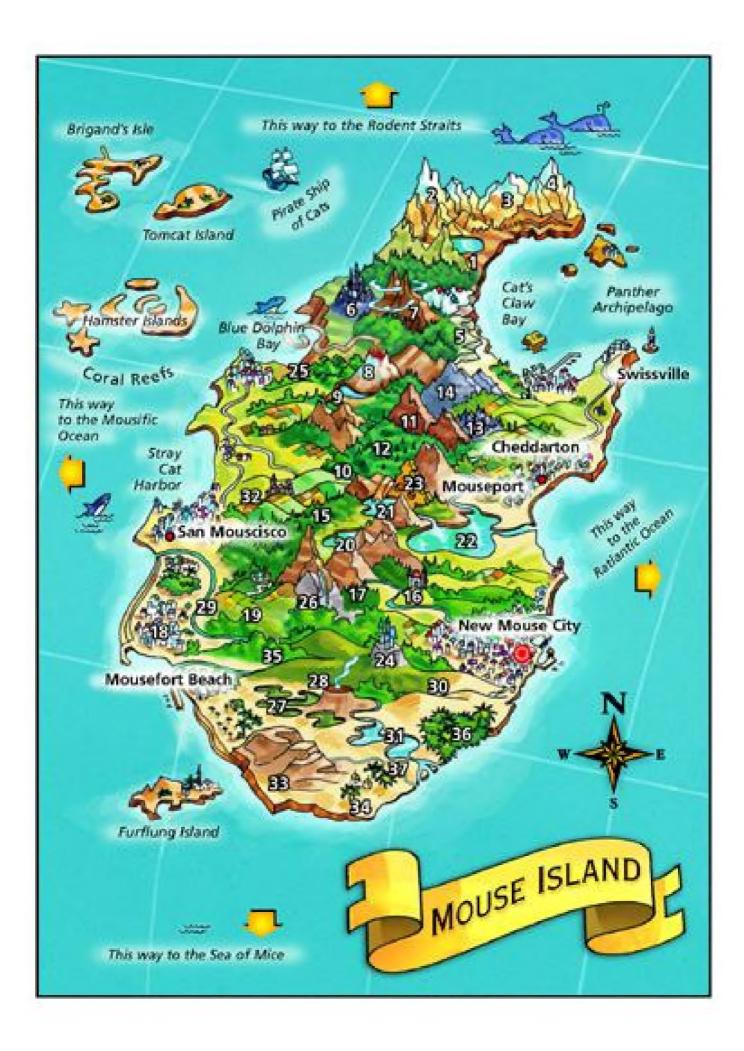
In his spare time, Mr. Stilton collects antique cheese rinds and plays golf. But what he most enjoys is telling stories to his nephew Benjamin.





# Map of New Mouse City

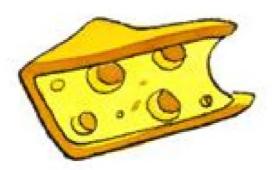
1.	Industrial Zone	25.	The Rodent's Gazette
2.	Cheese Factories	26.	Trap's House
3.	Angorat International	27.	<b>Fashion District</b>
	Airport	28.	The Mouse House
4.	WRAT Radio and		Restaurant
	Television Station	29.	Environmental
5.	Cheese Market		<b>Protection Center</b>
6.	Fish Market	30.	Harbor Office
7.	Town Hall	31.	Mousidon Square
8.	Snotnose Castle		Garden
9.	The Seven Hills of	32.	Golf Course
	Mouse Island	33.	Swimming Pool
10.	Mouse Central Station	34.	Blushing Meadow
11.	Trade Center		Tennis Courts
12.	Movie Theater	35.	Curlyfur Island
13.	Gym		Amusement Park
14.	Catnegie Hall	36.	Geronimo's House
15.	Singing Stone Plaza	37.	Historic District
16.	The Gouda Theater	38.	Public Library
17.	Grand Hotel	39.	Shipyard
18.	Mouse General Hospital	40.	Thea's House
19.	<b>Botanical Gardens</b>	41.	<b>New Mouse Harbor</b>
20.	Cheap Junk for Less	42.	Luna Lighthouse
	(Trap's store)	43.	The Statue of Liberty
21.	Parking Lot	44.	Hercule Poirat's Office
22.	Mouseum of	45.	Petunia Pretty Paws's
	Modern Art		House
23.	University and Library	46.	Grandfather William's
24.	The Daily Rat		House



### Map of Mouse Island

- 1. Big Ice Lake
- 2. Frozen Fur Peak
- 3. Slipperyslopes Glacier
- 4. Coldcreeps Peak
- 5. Ratzikistan
- 6. Transratania
- 7. Mount Vamp
- 8. Roastedrat Volcano
- 9. Brimstone Lake
- 10. Poopedcat Pass
- 11. Stinko Peak
- 12. Dark Forest
- 13. Vain Vampires Valley
- 14. Goose Bumps Gorge
- 15. The Shadow Line Pass
- 16. Penny Pincher Castle
- 17. Nature Reserve Park
- 18. Las Ratayas Marinas
- 19. Fossil Forest
- 20. Lake Lake

- 21. Lake Lakelake
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- 23. Cheddar Crag
- 24. Cannycat Castle
- Valley of the Giant Sequoia
- 26. Cheddar Springs
- 27. Sulfurous Swamp
- 28. Old Reliable Geyser
- 29. Vole Vale
- 30. Ravingrat Ravine
- 31. Gnat Marshes
- 32. Munster Highlands
- 33. Mousehara Desert
- 34. Oasis of the Sweaty Camel
- 35. Cabbagehead Hill
- 36. Rattytrap Jungle
- 37. Rio Mosquito



Dear mouse friends,
Thanks for reading, and farewell
till the next book.

It'll be another whisker-licking-good
adventure, and that's a promise!



Geronimo Stilton